GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1613
ANSWERED ON:27.02.2003
LOSSES TO KONKAN RAILWAYS
SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Konkan Railway Corporation is suffering heavy losses since its inception;

(b) if so, the details of losses during last three years and till Dec. 31, 2002, year-wise and the reasons for the same; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make up the losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENTREFERREDTO IN REPLY TOPARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARREDQUESTION NO. 1613 TO BE ANSWERED I
LOK SABHA ON 27.02.2003 BY SHRI SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK REGARDING LOSSES TO KONKAN RAILWAY

(a)&(b): The Corporation is able to meet its working expenses fromthe revenue generated. However, o n account of provisions required to be made for the financing cost incurred on market borrowings, during the construction phase, and on depreciation, the Corporation is showing a loss in its Balance Sheet. The net loss during the 1999- 2000,2000-01 and 2001-02 is Rs. 385 crores, Rs. 382 crores and Rs. 370 crores respectively. The net loss till December 2002, in the year 2002-03 is Rs. 249 crores.

(c): The Corporation has made out a Business Plan enumerating variousstеps being taken to increase their revenue. These are as follows:

(i) Augmentation of traffic earnings by carrying out a strong marketing drive.

(ii) Marketing its construction expertise by:

- Trying to bid for international contracts for Railway construction.

- Taking up specialised construction works such as highways and tunneling within the country.

(iii)Installation, after testing, of an Anti-Collision Device (ACD) developed by the KRC on the Indian Railway system.